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FREE SUPPLY OF FOODGRAINS TO FAMINE AFFECTED STATES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the foodgrains supplied by the Union Government to the famine affected States free of cost are being utilized by the State Governments properly;

(b) if so, the quantum of foodgrains alongwith the number of beneficiaries among whom these were distributed in the Chhatisgarh State; and

(c) if not, whether the Government would deliberate upon constituting any monitoring committee to keep a check on their proper use?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): Yes, Sir. Foodgrains were allocated free of cost to the drought affected States under Food for Work Programme. The responsibility for implementation of the scheme is that of the State Governments concerned.

(b) & (c): 4.07 tonnes of rice were allocated to the State free of cost under Food for Work Programme. According to available information, more than 8 crore mandays have been generated in Chhattisgarh. The responsibility for implementation of Food for Work Programme lies with the State Government concerned. Central Government, however, monitors the progress from time to time.